



BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING

July 15, 2025

6:00 PM

Board Room • 119 W 8th Ave, Petal MS

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call, Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance

PRESENT

Mayor Tony Ducker
Alderman Drew Brickson
Alderman Craig Bullock
Alderman Mike Lott
Alderman Blake Nobles
Alderman Gerald Steele
Alderman Craig Strickland
Alderwoman Kim Stringer

Invocation was offered by Craig Bullock

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ADOPT AGENDA

Add request to approve the FY2024 Financial Audit.

Motion made by Alderman Bullock, Seconded by Alderman Nobles.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

CONSENT AGENDA

- Minutes - Regular Meeting 7/01/2025
- Revenue & Expenditures - June 2025
- Privilege License Report - June 2025
- Resignation of Lance Spiers in the Fire Dept effective 7/06/2025 (Chief Sims)
- Court Balances - June 2025
- Retirement of Mike Rigby in the Fire Dept eff. 8/19/2025 (Chief Sims)
- Pine Belt Regional Solid Waste Management Authority rates for FY2026
- Resignation of B Oxner in the Fire Dept. eff. 7/19/25

Motion made by Alderman Bullock, Seconded by Alderman Nobles.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

PUBLIC COMMENT

Julie Uher, Holt & Assoc. provided the FY2024 Audit.

Request to accept the FY2024 Audit.

Motion made by Alderman Bullock, Seconded by Alderman Strickland.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Kammie Carpenter, PACC Events, Star Spangled Celebration was the largest ever. She now represents District 7 on the Board of Directors for MS Development Council. July 31 - Ribbon Cutting for Task Force new building. Thursday @ 7:00 a.m. is Coffee Talk at Grand Central Outfitters.

Jodie Brickson, Petal Arts Council - Special thank you to the City of Petal for the support of their camp at the Civic Center. They were able to provide the camp free of charge to 120 families. Asst. Chief Lewis volunteered to help move things around.

PROCLAMATIONS & RESOLUTIONS

Mayor presented Judge Michael Reed with a plaque in appreciation for 25 years of service.

BIDS — QUOTES

OLD BUSINESS

GENERAL BUSINESS

Request to accept Supplemental Agreement #2 with Walters Construction Co, Inc. for 2024 Paving Liquidated damages in the amount of \$23,250.00 per Shows, Dearman & Waits recommendation. (City Clerk)

Motion made by Alderman Lott, Seconded by Alderman Nobles.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request to advertise for and make final payment to Walters Construction Co., Inc. in the amount of \$25,620.64 per Shows, Dearman & Waits recommendation. (City Clerk)

Motion made by Alderman Lott, Seconded by Alderman Nobles.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request to accept Engineering Agreement with Shows, Dearman and Waits for Twin Lakes Rd Widening. (Mayor)

Motion made by Alderman Bullock, Seconded by Alderwoman Stringer.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request to renew Facility Use Policy for Hinton Park. (City Clerk)

Motion made by Alderman Brickson, Seconded by Alderman Nobles.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Voting Nay: Alderman Steele

Request to renew Ad in the Petal High School Football Program at a cost of \$100.00. (PHS)

Motion made by Alderman Lott, Seconded by Alderwoman Stringer.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request to approve Estimate 3 in the amount of \$101,837.27 to R&J Construction, Inc for Old Richton Rd Widening per Shows, Dearman & Waits recommendation. (City Clerk)

Motion made by Alderman Nobles, Seconded by Alderman Bullock.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request to approve Invoice 25217 in the amount of \$19,179.14 to Shows, Dearman & Waits for Construction Management Services for Old Richton Rd Widening. (City Clerk)

Motion made by Alderman Bullock, Seconded by Alderman Strickland.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request to transfer one (1) table, Asset #01871, from the Fire Dept to the Financial Dept.

Motion made by Alderman Bullock, Seconded by Alderman Nobles.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request to execute CE&I contracts with Shows, Dearman & Waits for Matthews Branch Sidewalk Improvements per MDOT approval. (City Clerk)

Motion made by Alderman Lott, Seconded by Alderman Bullock.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request to sponsor PHS Pickleball Tournament at a cost of \$750.00.

Motion made by Alderman Steele, Seconded by Alderman Lott.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request to accept Supplemental Agreement #1 in the amount of \$56,255.50 with R&J Construction, Inc for Old Richton Road Widening Project per Shows, Dearman & Waits recommendation. (City Clerk)

Motion made by Alderman Nobles, Seconded by Alderman Brickson.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request to set a hearing date of August 12, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. for Cedarwood Subdivision, Phase II. (A Heath)

Motion made by Alderman Lott, Seconded by Alderman Bullock.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

SEMINARS & TRAVEL

Request for David Courtney to attend Criminal Investigations Class in Hattiesburg, MS on August 4-7, 2025. Total cost: \$700.00 (Chief Hiatt)

Motion made by Alderman Lott, Seconded by Alderman Brickson.
Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

ORDERS & ORDINANCES

Request to adopt order transferring Wanda Lee to the Civic Center eff. Aug. 6, 2025.

ORDER
WHEREAS, THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN
OF THE CITY OF PETAL DEEM IT NECESSARY TO
TRANSFER WANDA LEE TO THE CIVIC CENTER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT WANDA LEE BE
TRANSFERRED TO THE CIVIC CENTER AT A RATE OF
\$15.00 PER HOUR EFFECTIVE AUGUST 6, 2024

SO ORDERED THIS THE 15th DAY OF JULY 2025

Motion made by Alderman Bullock, Seconded by Alderwoman Stringer.
Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request to transfer Alden Johnson from 80-hour shift back to 112-hour shift at a rate of \$15.4321 per hour effective July 15, 2025. (Chief Sims)

ORDER
WHEREAS THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN
OF THE CITY OF PETAL DEEM IT NECESSARY TO
TRANSFER ALDEN JOHNSON

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT ALDEN JOHNSON
BE TRANSFERRED FROM AN 80-HOUR SHIFT
BACK TO 112-HOUR SHIFT AT A RATE OF \$15.4321
PER HOUR EFFECTIVE JULY 15, 2025

SO ORDERED THIS THE 15TH DAY OF JULY 2025

Motion made by Alderman Lott, Seconded by Alderman Steele.
Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request to adopt order transferring Shalane Davison from full time to part time dispatch in the Police Dept at a rate of \$13.00 per hour effective 7/29/2025. (Chief Hiatt)

ORDER
WHEREAS THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN
OF THE CITY OF PETAL DEEM IT NECESSARY TO
TRANSFER SHALANE DAVISON

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT SHALANE DAVISON
BE TRANSFERRED FROM FULL TIME TO PART TIME
DISPATCHER AT A RATE OF \$13.00 PER HOUR
EFFECTIVE JULY 29, 2025

SO ORDERED THIS THE 15TH DAY OF JULY 2025

Motion made by Alderman Steele, Seconded by Alderman Lott.
Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

MAYOR'S REPORT

Thank Battalion Chief Mike Rigby has been with the City of Petal for 21 years.

CONSIDERATION OF COMMITTEE, COMMISSION AND BOARD MATTERS

LEGAL

Motion clear the room to determine the need for Executive Session.

Motion made by Alderman Lott, Seconded by Alderman Strickland.
Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Motion to enter into Executive Session for Legal Matters.

Motion made by Alderman Lott, Seconded by Alderman Strickland.
Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Adjourn Executive Session.

Motion made by Alderman Lott, Seconded by Alderman Strickland.
Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

No official action was taken in Executive Session.

ADJOURN

Motion made by Alderman Lott, Seconded by Alderman Nobles.
Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer


Tony Ducker, Mayor


Melissa Martin, City Clerk